

Staunton Society

STAUNTON, VA., Nov. 24.—The Junior Married Ladies' Whist Club held the first meeting of the season at the residence of Mrs. Thomas M. Perkins. The party, reception hall, library and dining room were all turned into one by means of folding doors and were beautifully decorated with palms and yellow candles. The afternoon was greatly enjoyed by all present. After some time spent in playing progressive whist, the scores for which were kept by Miss Felling Oliver by stopping pins in a tiny yellow pin-cushion, refreshments were served in course.

More than one hundred invited guests were present.

The annual smoker and banquet of the local society of Episcopals was held Tuesday night at Old Fellows' Hall and proved an occasion of much merriment. After the banquet the Episcopals and their friends remained to the hotel room where a program of music, dancing and speaking was enjoyed.

Reception of an unusual character were held in Old Fellows' Hall Wednesday evening. After music, in which Miss Stella McGinnis, Mr. J. M. Brecken and J. L. McGinnis took part, the presentation of addresses was conferred on Mrs. Grace Kennedy. This is an honor that is shared by only two other women in Virginia, one of whom is Mrs. Garrison of Portsmouth, and the other Miss Lucy Harlow.

For J. B. Edwards, the popular superintendent of the Western State Hospital, and wife, have returned after a week's absence in New York.

Messrs. Fitzhugh Elder, Richard S. Kier and Martin Perry, members of the Staunton bar, were in Richmond this week.

Mr. J. H. Turner has been spending several days at his old home here, and returned to Richmond this week.

CREWE SOCIAL

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CREWE, VA., November 24.—Mr. Edwin Payne, Jr., and his bride, nee Miss Estelle Perrin, of Palmyra, Amelia county, arrived here on Friday, and will occupy rooms in Mrs. G. M. West's boarding-house.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. E. T. Bortley. The "quilt contest," which had been in progress for six weeks, was decided, and the quilt was awarded as a prize to Mrs. Grace White, who raised \$14.50. All the contestants did well, and the total amount raised was \$112. After the business period a beautiful supper was served.

The ladies of the Baptist Church will hold a bazaar the coming week, beginning with Monday. There will be a short but interesting program each evening, which will be free to all. Ice cream and cake will be sold. On Wednesday evening there will be a supper, consisting of all the delicacies of the season, for which a moderate charge will be made. The sale of fancy articles and free entertainment will prove an attractive card the entire week.

Mr. T. W. Andrews, of Norfolk, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Greenville Chappell, of Charlotte Courthouse, is visiting Mr. Shm. Chappell.

KING WILLIAM SOCIAL

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
KING WILLIAM, VA., November 24.—Mrs. B. H. Sweet is home again after having undergone a successful operation at St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, and is improving.

Mr. Charles J. Powell is now at St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, and has been operated on and is going well.

Both the King Mills and Enfield public school have succeeded in not getting teachers.

Miss Leta Ewald, of Wytheville, Va., is at Enfield, and Miss Elizabeth Sneed, of North Carolina, is at King Mills.

The ladies of the neighborhood will give an entertainment at Mangoch on Thanksgiving Day for the benefit of Hebrew Baptist Church.

GLADE SPRING SOCIAL

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GLADE SPRING, VA., November 24.—Misses Mable Harrow and Nola Bradley, popular young ladies of Abingdon, Va., spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. C. E. Wilds.

The members of the Literary Society are getting up a play, which they expect to give to the public about Christmas. Mrs. B. A. C. Battle left here Tuesday night for Baltimore, Md., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Simon.

Mrs. H. H. Cagmack is ill at her home this week.

Mrs. D. H. Dutton, who has been very ill, is not improving much.

Lieutenant Gilmer Promoted.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lieutenant James Gilmer, formerly of this county, and a brother of Rev. George H. Gilmer, of Trappe's Valley, spent a few days of this week visiting relatives and friends in the county. Lieutenant Gilmer has for some time been stationed on President Woodrow Wilson's staff at the White House, on which the President made a portion of his trip to Panama until he was ordered to the battleship Louisiana.

It is known that the young lieutenant is in such high favor that he has been promoted to be the chief engineer of the battleship Missouri, a position which he will assume on his return to Washington. The Missouri is one of the largest battleships in commission, being 35,000-ton power, and of this gigantic machine Lieutenant Gilmer will be in charge of its mechanical operation.

It has only been about ten or twelve years since Lieutenant Gilmer lived in Trappe, and was employed by J. M. Moore as a general utility boy. He was soon after appointed a cadet at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., and then his rise in the navy has been phenomenal. It will be no wonder, therefore, that the top of his profession.

The Lieutenant's success, which will be won by his promotion, and one of those for which the people are proud to honor, is a fine example of the power of the navy during the late republican era.

Alkaline—Antiseptic—Makes the gums strong and healthy, gives the teeth a pearly lustre, purifies the breath. What more could you ask of SOZODONT? Do not experiment with dentifrices. The teeth will not stand it. Stand by SOZODONT and the teeth will stand by you.

Send For Our Christmas Book Catalog.

Sent free by mail on request.

Five Special Values in Dress Goods For Monday

Take these specially priced fabrics one by one,—examine them carefully to-morrow, and then figure up what a remarkably good value in a new waist, skirt or gown can be gotten at a trifling cost for material.

75c Foulle Serge, in a good shade of navy blue, 200 yards in the lot.

50c Mixed Suitings, 300 yards in this assortment.

50c Scotch Suitings, in blue and brown mixtures, 100 yards in this lot.

50c Garnet Mohairs, in a good shade, 200 yards in the lot.

\$1.50 Plaid Broadcloths, 54 inches wide, in Green, Brown, Oxford and Navy.

\$1.25 yd

Beautiful Silks for Evening Wear

"I would be like attempting to paint the lily to describe the exquisite sheen and glimmer of these silks in print—many of the fabrics have been in the Broad Street windows during the past week—the admiration of thousands of passers by.

Pompadour Crepes, 50c yard.

Dotted Crepes, 40c yard.

Crepe de Chine, 50c yard.

Eolienne de Luxe, 30c yard.

Chiffon de Soie, 30c yard.

Corcan Silks, 60c yard.

One Seam O Crepe de Chine, \$1 yard.

Calcium Silks, \$1.50 yard.

Plaid Crepe de Chine, \$1.25 yard.

Embossed Satin Duchesse, \$2.08 yard.

Christmas Things Coming to the Front in the

Fancy Goods Departments

Larger stocks and more varied in assortment than ever will be found this season in the departments devoted to HANDKERCHIEFS, NECKWEAR, VEILING, HAND BAGS, LEATHER GOODS of all kinds, MILITARY BRUSHES, STERLING SILVER ARTICLES, FANS and the thousand and one things that go to make up a Christmas stock.

Buying in such large quantities and buying so early, we can sell at exceptionally low prices.

\$4.50 Blankets for \$3.60

The bargain is in the Blanket itself, too, and not in the advertisement.

White Wool Blankets 64x80 inches (good size): best values we've seen this year, at \$3.60 pair.

Same quality in 72x80-inch Blankets, \$4.50

Gray Wool Blankets, 64x78 inches, best of value, \$2.75

White Twilled Cotton Blankets, with Jacquard borders, 66x80 inches \$1.69

Blankets no better than these were sold wholesale in Richmond last week at \$2 a pair.

All-Wool White Blankets, soft and fluffy, 78x86 inches \$7.00

Comforts, \$1 ea.

Filled with laminated cotton and covered with silk-olene, 72x72 inches \$1.00

A beautiful Comfort, 72x84 inches, covered with extra quality silk-olene, satin border, filled with lamb's wool, at \$3.75

Women's Worsted Jackets, \$2.50

(Second Floor, Sixth Street.)

A new idea in Women's Wraps, a jacket made bolero effect, with a three-quarter sleeve and cut very full, so as not to crush the waist.

Very neat looking garments, in white, with light color border.

Serviceable and low in price.

Miller & Rhoads

Silk Jumper Suits, \$25

Fine quality taffeta, in blue, black and brown. The waist has a beautifully embroidered hand-made yoke, with self-trimming. The skirt is box plaited, with two folds of silk to match, pretty girdle to match suit.

Women fall in love with these suits the moment they look at them.

Buy Fancy Holiday Linens Now

(Linen Department—Main Floor.)

For these reasons—first of all the stock is complete in every way—our fall import orders being all in.

You'll have more time in which to select what you want, and the prices are lower right now than they'll be when we have to reorder.

Linens have all advanced in price.

The best linen manufacturers of Ireland, Scotland, Germany, France and Belgium are represented here, from the ordinary Kitchen Crash to the fine Satin Damasks and hand-embroidered Doilies, Squares, etc.

A special in Table Linen to-morrow.

\$1.25 Extra Heavy German Damask, \$1 yd

Grass bleached goods, 2 yards wide, in the sturdy German weave, so noted for its worth; equal to the usual \$1.25 damask.

Dressing Sacques, Petticoats, Bath Robes

Three Good Values at Moderate Prices.

The Dressing Sacques are of fleece down, fitted back, full front, all colors, several styles.

The Petticoats are of extra fine yarn, fancily knitted, in light shades.

The Bath Robes are in fancy blanket patterns of red and white, green and white, and pink and tan; half fitted back; fancy shawl collar, bordered in satin ribbon, cord at waist.

\$1 \$2 \$5.75

Sheets, 81x90 inches, Regular 85c Value, 69c

We placed orders last spring with several mills for sheets at the then market prices. Deliveries were slow, and we only got a portion of our order from each mill. Deliveries are still slow, but prices have gone up.

The factory people, however, are standing by their agreement with us—but not making any more contracts at old prices.

500 Sheets just in last week, double-bed size—one of the best grades of cotton made, 69c instead of 85c.



A Free Trip to Richmond This Week

The Virginia Educational Conference begins its meetings to-morrow, continuing through the week. The railroads of the State offer a round trip rate of one fare, plus 25c.

Buy \$30 worth of merchandise in Richmond from members of the Retail Merchants' Association and your railroad fare will be refunded.

Get a rebate book from us with your first purchase. Full explanations given in the store.

Eiderdown, 25c 35c 50c yd

The best of quality is here in the plain colors; also, the best of quality and prettiest patterns in the fancy figured Eiderdowns for dressing sacques, bath robes, etc.

KRINKLE DOWN—the extensively advertised cloth at 60c a yard, is here in all shades at 50c yard.

With CARPETS Advancing in Price These Values Are Remarkably Good Ones.

We can't buy them now to sell at the figures we're quoting this morning. Lots of stores are charging the advanced rates even now.

Wilton Carpets, in all the leading colors—\$1.65 value for, yard, \$1.50

Extra Axminsters, Oriental and floral patterns—\$1.50 value for, yard \$1.25

Axminster Carpets, in floral and Oriental patterns, light and dark shades—\$1.25 value for, yard \$1.15

Women's New Broadcloth Suits, \$18.98

We could say a great deal more about them this morning than we actually will say—the suits are worth all the encomiums we might give them—but we'd rather judge for yourself to-morrow morning and see how close they come to \$25 values. A special purchase we made last week.

Good Broadcloth, in blue, brown and black. Blouse Eton Coat, lined with satin; collar, cuffs and vest trimmed with velvet and braid. Side plaited skirt. Good line of sizes. \$18.98

Women's Long Coats—Mannish Mixtures \$11.50

They give you the idea of "style" at first glance. Excellent quality cloth, in brown and red and gray and black mixtures.

Loose fitting—all sizes up to 26, including misses.

We could sell them at \$15—the price they were originally made to sell for—but we secured a lot at a price concession last week.

There's a long winter ahead of us, and these are certainly low-priced Coats.

Coats for Little Children, \$3 to \$5.50

Never forget that we devote as much thought and preparation to this department of our business as we do to any other portion of it. The finest furnishings for children in the South are here.

Bearskin Coat, box style, double-breasted, turn-over collar and cuffs, pearl buttons; sizes 1 to 3 years, \$3

Good Cloth Coats, in golf red and blue, box backs, fastened with frogs, collar and cuffs of other color velvet; sizes 2 to 4 years, \$4

Gray Bearskin Coat, with black velvet collar, cuffs and pockets, velvet buttons, sizes 2 to 4 years, \$5.50

Beautiful Dinner Sets \$18.50 of Carlsbad China,

The German potters are certainly experts in the making of medium price pottery.

Two designs to-morrow, 192 pieces each—one pattern of small pink and yellow roses—the other in delicate apple blossom effect—the latter set being gold stippled.

Another Dinner Set that is remarkably cheap for the value given comes in Austrian China—192 pieces—green wreath border, inside of which is another border of roses, new style handles, \$20.

Bear in mind that we import this china direct—which represents a saving to us and to you of at least twenty-five per cent. on the price.

Meat and Game Sets Under Glazed English Porcelain.

Thirteen pieces in each set—a very large platter and one dozen large plates—old-time English flow blue patterns.

We know of nothing at these prices that will adorn your table better this week.

Game Sets \$8.50

Meat Sets \$8.50

All-Wool Medicated Scarlet Flannel, 25c yd

Pure wool, good weight, 27 inches wide.

We bought one case of it under price—low enough to offer you the best Medicated Red Flannel on the market to-day at 25c yard.

LONDON NEWS AND GOSSIP

LONDON, November 24.—A rather ghastly judicial proceeding, for which American authorization was claimed, has been reported at the Court of Criminal Appeal, with an unusual request that a corpse be placed in the resting place of the deceased. The incident arose out of the death in the United States of John Sullivan, a native of Cork who left an unblemished record of a million and a quarter dollars. Various elements came forward, and in determining the rightful heirs it was found to be of importance to obtain evidence of certain facts of the Sullivan family, or trace, in St. James's Cemetery, Cork. Accordingly, the court at Washington authorized a commission to go to Ireland to obtain the desired evidence. First securing permission to open certain graves, the commission from Washington filed a questionnaire in the cemetery. With a finders' fee of \$100, the commission, accompanied by the lawyers engaged to prepare and in column to record, while the grave-diggers opened the graves and brought to the surface the coffin of a woman buried two years ago, some coffin-panels, four skulls, and other human bones. These were grouped to show advantage for a photograph, who had been buried in the same place, and the inquiry was then addressed to the city, where, at a subsequent sitting, the cemetery clerk swore to the accuracy of a burial certificate copied from the cemetery register.

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Christian Scientist Accused of Murder.

A case which will be celebrated in legal annals as the first of its character is to be tried in the Central Criminal Court on the charge of causing the death of his son by withholding medical aid from the boy. The circumstances surrounding the case are of uncommon interest, and its development is being followed by the Christian Scientists of England and by the public at large with strained interest. The defendant, who is an architect living in Bedford Park, five years ago adopted the faith of the Christian Scientists, which provides medical assistance.

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